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Kinship Services***

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Mental Health Awareness

Substance Use Disorders

Hunger Council

***In partnership with:
The Leadership Council on
Aging***

Great Start Livingston



2018 Annual Report to the Community



***“Ensuring a System
of Support
for Members of
Our Community”***



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Message from the Chair

In my first year as the Chair of the Livingston County Human Services Collaborative Body, I am amazed and proud of all of the hard work and accomplishments of our workgroups. Livingston County is known as one of the most collaborative counties in our state and it shows in the outcomes we have achieved together. It has been interesting to be more involved in learning about the different workgroups and how they strive to do more each year by expanding services and supports to our community members. It is great to be part of a community that sees a need and instead of becoming overwhelmed, gather a group together to tackle and meet the need. Thanks for all you have done in 2018; let's strive to do even more in 2019. It has been my honor to serve as the HSCB Chair.

Happy New Year,

Connie Conklin



HSCB Mission

"Ensuring a system of support for members of our community"

HSCB Values

We believe the needs of children, adults, and families drive our planning and services.
We believe that collaboration means shared stewardship of community resources for the common good of Livingston County.
We believe that collaboration requires broad community representation.
We believe the HSCB is responsible for developing continuums of service from prevention to treatment.
We believe the HSCB should ensure that community members needing services from multiple agencies receive services as efficiently and effectively as possible by creating systems of care.
We believe that the HSCB should provide a caring community for Livingston County residents by supporting each other's work.

Tackle Hunger

The Livingston County Hunger Council ensures no one goes hungry in our community through a Food Response System!

- 5 Days a week, a free hot meal is available.
- 21,775 Meals provided during Summer Lunch Bunch at 9 sites which supports free and reduced meals needed over summer.
- 134 Seniors served weekend meals by Meals on Wheels.
- 16 Food Pantry sites, available throughout the county, have distributed 1.6 Million Gleaners meals.
- 2,700 Pounds of fresh produce distributed through 10 Community Gardens.
- Increased fresh food produce carts in the community from 7 to 14.
- Supported weekend backpack programs and increased available snacks.
- Built 2 Hoop Houses in the community; one at Flex Tech and one at the Howell Nature Center.



Coming together
is a beginning;
keeping together
is progress;
working together
is success.

Henry Ford

Stabilize Housing

The Homeless Continuum of Care Committee, along with their Housing Stability Task Force sub-committee, has a coordinated response for housing needs.

- \$313,273 was used to stabilize existing homes for 668 households through Rent Assistance.
- \$327,889 was used to keep 553 households heated and the lights on.
- \$120,419 was used to provide temporary shelter for 639 households who came upon hard times.
- 153 households were saved by receiving services at Court by the Eviction Diversion program. 257 of these households received funding to avoid eviction.
- Through communication and relationships with local landlords, 62% of evictions are now diverted before they even reach the court.
- Almost 2 million dollars spent in subsidized housing payments to stabilize homes for people with disabilities, victims of domestic violence and homeless families.



Creating an Informed Community through Education

- 163 professionals from 28 Agencies were trained by the Funding Partners Core Competency Training Series
- 946 people were reached by 7 Transportation presentations and events provided by the Transportation Coalition. The Coalition's support of the county-wide plan has included stakeholder needs statements, 2 data gathering surveys, public and stakeholder input meetings. These have resulted in 12 options for improvement so far and the plan will be completed in January 2019.
- The Substance Use Disorders Workgroup reached 27 people with their training—Trauma, the Power of Words, and Recovery Town Hall event. They also initiated the implementation of a county-wide recovery community organization and supported the efforts of their partners with 569 people being engaged through 22 partner activities.
- 3 educational activities and 13 communications were made by the Abilities Alliance to increase awareness, reduce stigma and promote inclusion of people with disabilities.



Keeping our Children Safe

- The Mental Health Awareness Workgroup provided presentations at our local schools and 1,466 students learned about suicide prevention and the signs of mental health disorders. 97% of students reported increased awareness in post tests.
- The Foster care, Adoption and Kinship care Services Workgroup (FAKS) helped to recruit 35 newly licensed homes for foster care. They have also supported existing families with events (320 participants) and trainings (85 participants).
- Wraparound services, provided by the Funding Partners Workgroup, were provided to 82 Families and 89% of the children involved improved their CAFAS scores by a statistically significant amount.

Arming our Community with the Facts

- The Community Needs Assessment Workgroup updated 6 FACT sheets and added 2 new ones on important topics:
 - ◆ Child Maltreatment
 - ◆ Financial Stability
 - ◆ Housing
 - ◆ Prescription Drugs and Opiates
 - ◆ Foster Parenting
 - ◆ Hunger
 - ◆ Marijuana
 - ◆ Early Childhood
 - ◆ Trauma
- Healthy Youth Resource Guide updated and distributed twice a year.

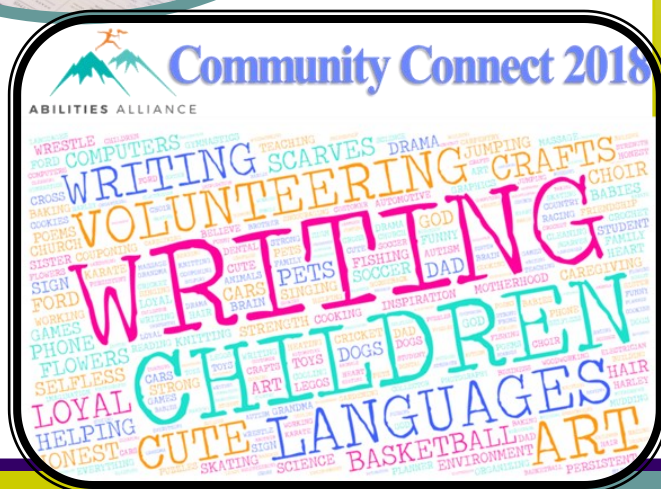
Teaching the Language of Trauma

The Trauma Informed Workgroup helped providers and families to implement care with Trauma in mind.

- 19 Trauma assessments of children were provided.
- 289 people were trained in Caregiver Trauma Trainings.



**Human Services
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Livingston County, Michigan



Community Events

- 650+ Participants at Community Connect.
- 600+ Participants at the Backpack and Connect for Kids Event.
- 72 People engaged in the Homeless Awareness Events.
- * 200 People attended the Second Annual Wake Up Livingston Recovery Walk.

Great Start Livingston

By working together with child service agencies, Great Start has raised kindergarten readiness from 64% in 2013 to 79.97% in 2017. In 2018, their work with parents has helped change the conversation from kindergarten readiness to also including reading proficiency by the end of third grade.

Livingston Leadership Council on Aging

The Council conducted a comprehensive review of community needs assessments in the community to identify accomplishments and next steps for the Council. They created an Executive Summary of the results, which outlines recommendations to be acted on. The year 2019 will be one of implementation and coordination of unmet needs.

The Livingston County Hoarding Task Force has conducted one on-site assessment with follow-up and has supported another 3 cases. They will have a training ready to roll out in 2019.

